

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, amend the first paragraph as follows:

~~BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION~~

CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. application Ser. No. 10/601,167 filed ~~Mar. 23, 2001~~ filed ~~Jun. June~~ 20, 2003, now U.S. Patent Number US 6,789,396 B2, issued September 14, 2004, which is a Continuation-in-Part of U.S. application Ser. No. 09/816,254 filed ~~Mar. March~~ 23, 2001, now abandoned, both of which are incorporated herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 42, second partial paragraph extending to page 43, first partial paragraph, from page 42, line 19 to page 43, line 10, amend the paragraph as follows:

Now making reference to the nozzle 310, this includes a cylindrical head 312 and a cylindrical member ~~364~~ 314 located in the rear part of the head 362. The cylindrical member 314 including a central orifice 316 and at least a plurality of orifices 318, which crosses transversally the periphery of the cylindrical member 314. The cylindrical member 314 is introduced in the entrance defined by the first inner annular section 306 and the second intermediate annular section 308, forming a closed section in the second chamber 292. When the cylindrical member 314 is introduced in said entrance, the plurality of orifices 318 are situated in coincidence with the second chamber 292 for allowing an exit flow of the primary air or gas out the flow distributor 286. A first annular recess 320 is defined between the first inner annular section 306 and the internal part of the cylindrical member 314, for deviating the flow of the primary air or gas toward the frontal part of the flow distributor 286.